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Students remember

Archie Stouffer Elementary School junior kindergarten student Myla Ecclestone points to her poppy sticker while wearing a giant poppy hat during the school's annual Remembrance Day ceremony this past Tuesday in Minden. There were more than 400 students and loved ones who attended the event to recognize the men and women who have sacrificed and serve their country in the name of freedom and peace. More on pages 4 and 5.

Darren Lum Staff



Minden ceremony

The Royal Canadian Army Cadets warrant officer Owen MacKeigan, left, and warrant officer Robbie Orlowski with the Hastings and Prince-Edward Regiment stand at the Village Green cairn during the Minden Remembrance Day ceremony this past Tuesday. Organized by the Royal Canadian Legion of Minden branch 636, the event drew hundreds to the Bobcaygeon Road event.

More on pages 4 and 5.
Darren Lum Staff



Three injured in crash on Cty Rd 503

Chad Ingram

Staff reporter

Three people were taken to hospital, two with serious injuries, following a crash on County Road 503 between Kinmount and Irondale on Nov. 7.

According to Haliburton Highlands OPP, the single-vehicle rollover happened around 3:30 p.m. Friday afternoon near Furnace Falls when an eastbound SUV headed into the south ditch, striking a culvert and small wooden wall, flipping the vehicle onto its passenger side.

The 46-year-old male driver was treated for minor injuries at the Minden hospital while the 46-year-old female passenger was transported to Toronto's Sunnybrook Hospital with serious injuries. The other passenger, a 10-year-old girl, was airlifted to Sick Kids Hospital in Toronto, also with serious injuries. The crash was attended by members of the Minden Hills fire department and Haliburton County EMS. The road was reduced to one lane for a several hours while police investigated and investigation by the OPP's technical traffic investigation unit continues.

Between Friday and Sunday, the local OPP detachment responded to 14 collisions "as a result of drivers failing to adjust their speed to the weather conditions."

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Owner working on demolition of building

Chad Ingram
Staff reporter

The owner of the derelict former gas station along Highway 121 in Kinmount wants the community to know he is still working on the building's demolition after a complaint about the building was recently lodged with the City of Kawartha Lakes.

"Let it be known that proper steps have been taken to deal with this situation," a director with numbered corporation 2420945 Ontario Inc. wrote in an email to the *Times*, adding he'd applied for and received a demolition permit for the property two weeks before the complaint was filed. "Let it be known that steps have already been taken to secure the property and a six-foot fence has been placed around the building, plus proper signage has been posted on the property. Garbage and brush has been removed from the property."

The City of Kawartha Lakes confirmed a demolition permit was issued Oct. 3.

The building had been sitting abandoned at the intersection of county roads 121 and 503 for approximately 20 years before it went up for tax sale by the City of Kawartha Lakes on May 16.

For years, the municipality and province had been playing proverbial hot potato over who owned the property after its last owner went bankrupt.

The owner has been obtaining quotes for the demoli-

tion of the building and has also put in a request to City of Kawartha Lakes to assist.

An account for "Kinmount Eye Sore" has been set up at

the Kinmount Credit Union for anyone who wishes to make a donation to help with demolition costs.



Chad Ingram Staff

The owner of the crumbling old gas station in Kinmount says steps are being taken to have the eyesore removed from the intersection of county roads 121 and 503.

Genealogy group to host guest speaker from Ottawa

Wednesday, Nov. 19 is the next regular meeting of the Haliburton Highlands Genealogy Group.

The meeting will be held at the Lions Hall, 166 Bobcaygeon Rd., Minden.

Doors open at 6 p.m. for a business meeting and elections for the 2015 executive.

The speaker at 7 p.m. will be Barbara Tose, whose topic will be "Travels with my Aunt: Adventures in Europe 1914".

Tose lives in Ottawa, where she is president of the British Isles Family History Society of Greater Ottawa.

There is no charge for the meeting and everyone is welcome. Refreshments are available. For information contact Gail Leach-Wunker at 705-286-2225.

Submitted

Missing hunters located

On Saturday, Nov. 8 at approximately 6:03 p.m., members of the Haliburton Highlands Ontario Provincial Police detachment were called to assist in locating two missing hunters in the area of Pine Spring Road in the Township of Algonquin Highlands.

The hunters had become disoriented while tracking a deer into the bush. They managed to get cellphone service to phone 911 but were unable to keep contact as they did not have a fully charged battery. They had no extra equipment or supplies with them.

Officers attended the location and directed the hunters to walk towards the sound of the police sirens. Officers patrolled the immediate area and the hunters were later located at approximately 7:36 p.m. in good health.

Haliburton Highlands OPP wants to offer hunters some of the following safety tips:

- Stay in one place if separated from their hunting partners or if you have become disoriented.
- Tell someone where you will be hunting and when you expect to be back. Take a cellphone with you if possible and keep the battery fully charged.
- When walking, let someone know where you will park your vehicle. If you become lost or injured, this will assist searchers in locating you. When lost "hug a tree" and wait for searchers to find you.
- Dress for the weather and wear proper footwear. Fall weather can often change quickly.
- Be prepared. Pack items such as water, snacks, matches, a first aid kit, map, compass, knife, flashlight and perhaps extra gloves/socks and a wind breaker. A GPS is always a good idea.

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Minden saved by ‘motor car’ modern highway

➤ 60-year-old Telegram paper gives glimpse into Minden’s past

Chad Ingram
Staff reporter

A 60-year-old Toronto newspaper article paints tourism as the saviour of Minden’s economy and perhaps the community itself.

Last month, a reader brought of a copy of the now-defunct *Toronto Telegram* into the office. It had been discovered in a wall. Yellowed and tattered, the cover of the second section of the Aug. 14, 1954 edition features a story about Minden.

Titled “Once jam-packed with loggers, Minden prospers now with tourists,” the article is written by staff reporter Gerald Toner.

“The horseless carriage ushered in the golden age of the tourist just in time for Minden,” it reads. “Founded as a lumbering and farming centre, Minden might well have suffered a slow death with the decline of those two industries in the Haliburton Highlands. But the motor car and the modern highway opened the region to a flood of tourist dollars just as the once-mighty lumber business tapered off and the farms were surrendered to the bush again. Once so jam-packed with logs that a child could walk across them in perfect safety, the Gull River and the many lakes in the area are now free-flowing, their banks lined with hundreds of summer cottages.”

The story features 91-year-old Albert Langdon, a cabinet-maker and boat-builder who had come to Minden from Toronto 46 years prior.

“He found Minden an isolated boom town astride the lumbermen’s water route from the northern bush to the southern mills and markets,” it reads. “Minden was a favourite stopping-off place for loggers on their two-year log drive from as far north as Algonquin Park to mills at Deseronto, Lindsay, Cobocok and Fenelon Falls. To carry passengers up and the log-filled lakes and streams, Langdon built, in all, five side-wheel steamboats – flat bottomed craft known as alligators, because they could winch themselves over log jams with the aid of a stout line and well-anchored tree.”

It goes on to mention other local personalities and a famous, turn-of-the-century New Year’s Eve party that, at the time, was still talked about by some of the village’s older residents.

“Harold Morgan, Grade 7 teacher who has delved into village history for the benefit of his pupils, says Minden was named after a town in Prussia by the first settlers about 1858,” the story reads. “In his research, Morgan learned about a New Year’s Eve party at the turn of the century which lasted four days and is still the talk of the town to a few old-timers.”

The article also mentions the political establishment of the day.

“Minden’s municipal government is handled by one council for the combined townships of Anson, Hindon and Minden, headed by Reeve Reginald Booth, a Minden boat builder. It is also the county seat for the provisional County of Haliburton.”

At the time of the story’s publication, the community was fundraising for the construction of a hospital, with the charge led by Dr. Agnes Jamieson.

“Currently, village leaders are in the midst of a fundraising campaign to build a \$54,000 Red Cross outpost hospital,” Toner writes. “The drive is spearheaded by Dr. Agnes Jamieson and John M. Irwin. Dr. Jamieson and her partner, Dr. Edith Newell,



Chad Ingram Staff

The Aug. 14, 1954 edition of the *Toronto Telegram* featured a story on Minden’s blossoming tourism economy.

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But the motor car and the modern highway opened the region to a flood of tourist dollars just as the once-mighty lumber business tapered off and the farms were surrendered to the bush again.

— *Toronto Telegram*

are the community’s only doctors and also serve a large number of patients in the surrounding area.”

The article mentions the nearest general hospital is in Lindsay and that 16 miles away, Haliburton Village has a Red Cross outpost hospital.

“The fundraisers are receiving many contributions from summer residents, who have discovered that their hospital insurance does not cover treatment in the doctors’ office because it is not a hospital,” it reads. “Another fund drive is in progress to pay off a loan used to rebuild the community centre, after most of it collapsed during a windstorm a few years ago.”

Photos include a shot of the main drag taken from near the Rockcliffe, children swimming in the Gull River and Forest Hill resident Barbara Prentis near a sign for Minden’s business section.

The *Toronto Telegram* published for a nearly a century, from 1876 to 1971.

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The Royal Canadian Legion Minden branch 636 lead the parade with chaplain Joan Cavanaugh down Bobcaygeon Road towards the Haliburton County cairn at the Village Green during the Minden Remembrance Day ceremony this past Tuesday. Organized by the Minden branch 636, the event drew hundreds who came to pay respect and to honour those who have sacrificed their lives or continue to serve their country in the name of peace.

Remembering the fallen in Minden



The Royal Canadian Legion Branch 636 colour party and dignitaries stand in honour of the fallen and those that continue to serve during the Remembrance Day ceremony this past Tuesday in front of the cairn located at the Village Green on Bobcaygeon Road. Hundreds attended the event, which included political leaders, veterans, service people and family of service personnel. There were 40 wreaths laid at the cairn.



The Bobcaygeon Road was closed to traffic in front of the Haliburton County cairn at the Village Green during the Minden Remembrance Day ceremony this past Tuesday.



Dorothy Simmer, left, a friend to Myrtle Sullivan of Minden stands after laying the wreath in memory of Second World War veteran Ken Sullivan while Keith Welborn of the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 636 Minden during the Minden Remembrance Day Ceremony this past Tuesday at the cairn located at the Village Green. Organized by the Minden Legion, the event drew hundreds who came to pay their respects to the men like Sullivan who served with the Royal Canadian Navy from 1939 to 1944. Sullivan and his wife, who lived together in Minden for nine years, were married for 67 years.

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The Royal Canadian Legion's John McGrath 441 branch of Kinmount sargent-at-arms Brian Ferguson salutes during the Remembrance Day ceremony this past Saturday at the Gelert Cemetery. The ceremony was led by John McGrath Legion and auxiliary member Bernice Owens and included Minden Township Reeve Brent Devolin and councillor Jean Neville. There are 19 veterans and service personnel who are in the cemetery that were remembered.

Kinmount remembers Gelert's sacrifices

Darren Lum
Staff reporter

A snow-covered Gelert Cemetery this past Saturday was host to a Remembrance Day ceremony, as organized by the Royal Canadian Legion's John McGrath 441 Branch of Kinmount. Led by Legion life member and auxiliary member of Kinmount Bernice Owens, whose husband served with the air force in the Second World War, the ceremony paid respect to those who served and are serving the country domestically and internationally.

It included area residents and the incoming Minden Hills Reeve Brent Devolin and Councillor Jean Neville, as well as Rick Ratcliff of the Rotary Club of Minden. The ceremony recognized the service of 19 veterans and former service personnel Wes Baker, Reg Currah, Bob Davis, John Faulkner, Orval Francis, Clayton Geeza, Joseph Graham, Tom Hamilton, Albert Hoyle, John Lobb, Robert T.D. McDonald, Gordon Preecor, Ralph Schroter, Keith Schrader, Lawrence Sedgwick, Tom Selby, Archibald Thomson, Robert Vick and Evlan Wruth, who are all buried at the cemetery.

Darren Lum Staff

Incoming Minden Hills Reeve Brent Devolin stands in respect for those who served and continue serving the country during the Remembrance Day ceremony organized by the Royal Canadian Legion's John McGrath 441 Branch of Kinmount this past Saturday at the Gelert Cemetery. The ceremony was led by John McGrath Legion and auxiliary member Bernice Owens and included Minden Hills Councillor Jean Neville.



ASES remembers

Archie Stouffer Elementary School Grade 1 students sing the song Teaching Peace during the school's annual Remembrance Day ceremony this past Tuesday in Minden. There were more than 400 students and loved ones who attended the event to recognize the men and women who have sacrificed their lives and serve their country in the name of freedom and peace.

Darren Lum Staff



Archie Stouffer Elementary School's Kadin Card, who is in the Grade 2/3 class, middle, reads from his *I Am a Canadian* speech during the school's annual Remembrance Day ceremony this past Tuesday in Minden.



Archie Stouffer Elementary School students Matea Cameron, left, and Ati Baricz (with Hailey Bull out of frame) read from the Remembrance Day story *Proud As a Peacock, Brave as a Lion* during the school's annual Remembrance Day ceremony this past Tuesday in Minden.

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Get on the bus

MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS are over, signs are down, losers have licked their proverbial wounds while the political victors prepare for the four years ahead.

Election campaigns are exciting, bursting with adrenaline, energy and usually some drama.

They also cultivate discussion about ideas, big-picture ideas, ideas that may not receive all that much discussion during the rest of the political cycle, when day-to-day operations and fiscal prudence take hold.

Some such ideas were discussed during all-candidates meetings throughout the county and transportation, quite rightly, was a recurring theme.

An ongoing and major hurdle for Haliburton County is its lack of public transit. Like any rural community, having a small population dispersed throughout a large area complicates the logistics and viability of a public transit system.

But it can be done.

Just to east, centred in Bancroft, operates The Rural Overland Utility Transit, a shuttle that serves seven municipalities in Hastings County as well as one in Haliburton County - Highlands East.

Circling through communities such as Bird's Creek, Cardiff, Coe Hill, Maynooth, Faraday and Paudash, it includes round-trip fares that vary from \$1.50 to \$9, depending on a rider's age - there are discounts for students and seniors - as well as the route he or she is traveling.

Launched in 2010, TROUT works in conjunction with Community Care North Hastings and relies on fares and other funding streams, including some municipal dollars.

It offers four types of transportation: scheduled regional route service, door-to-door service, special destination service and individualized service.

Its regular route service picks up riders from scheduled stops at scheduled times. Door-to-door service is for those 55 or older or clients of Community Care, with those at-home pickups incorporated into the regular route.

Special destination service is for special events. For example, during the

summer, TROUT offers transportation to and from the Freedom Skate Park in Bancroft. It's \$5 for a round trip and kids take their skateboards and BMX bikes on the bus with them.

Individualized service is for riders with wheelchairs who require transportation outside the regional route.

A first step toward a similar model for the county could be county councilors conversing with the co-ordinators of TROUT to learn about the particulars. Perhaps there's even opportunity to expand that system to incorporate the county.



Chad Ingram
Reporter

Community Care Haliburton County was recently integrated with Haliburton Highlands Health Services and perhaps a partnership with HHHS, which could include provincial funding, could be explored, as well as partnerships with other community organizations - Community Living, A Place Called Home, etc.

A transit pilot project should be able to garner grant money from the Haliburton County Development Corporation and if the upper and lower tiers chipped in some money as well, there should be enough to at least test out a TROUT-type model locally.

A logical starting route would connect the county's two largest communities, running from Haliburton Village to West Guilford to Carnarvon to Minden and back to Haliburton.

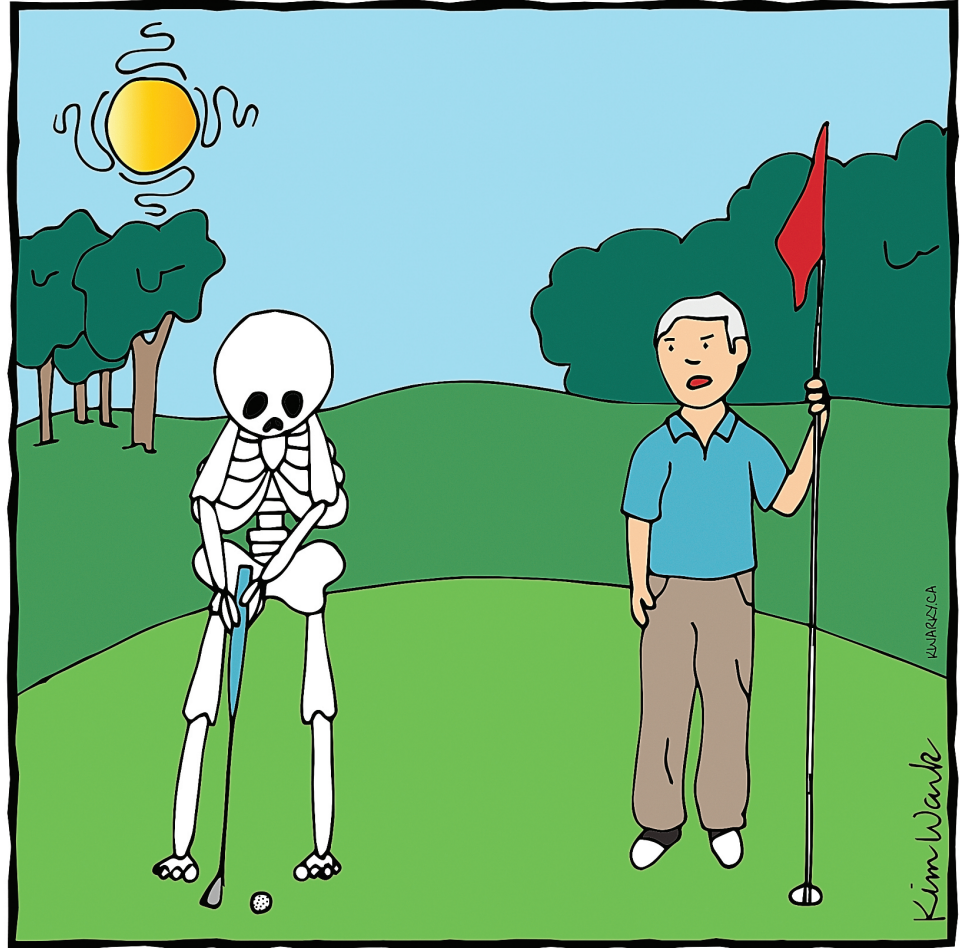
There is a direct and interconnected relationship between transportation, employment, housing and food security, a relationship documented in much research, including that done as part of the joint poverty reduction strategy for Haliburton County and the City of Kawartha Lakes.

Not only would a transit system improve quality of life for many residents, it would be a direct contributor to economic development, allowing some without vehicles access to work they might not otherwise be able to get to.

Yes, transportation experiments have been tried unsuccessfully in the county in the past, but that doesn't mean we shouldn't try again.

Public transportation should go on the county's to-do list for the upcoming council term.

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"COULD YOU PUTT BEFORE I DIE OF OLD AGE TOO?"

Now you see me

THESE DAYS TECHNOLOGY is taking off in so many different directions that it's difficult to determine what we actually need to worry about.

Well, I'm here to suggest the answer might be invisible mice.

I came to this conclusion after reading that Japanese scientists have invented nearly invisible mice. Basically, they've discovered that they can block the heme in hemoglobin (that's the part that makes blood red) to create a translucent rodent that is very difficult to see. This is good because it allows scientists to actually see organs operate so they can understand anatomy better.

Clearly (no pun intended), this will help modern medicine.

But it is also bad because we are creating invisible mice and when they escape - they are invisible, after all - we will have to develop infra-red goggles for cats. And, if my efforts in getting my cat to wear reading glasses are any indication, good luck on that.

Besides, you can only learn so much from mice.

Eventually, you are going to need a human subject. I'm talking about some selfless person who would not object to being invisible. It can't just be any person, mind you. No, that person should be trustworthy enough not to butt into the front of any line, scare the heck out of friends and family or sneak into the movies for free. In other words, what's needed is a person who thinks small.

That's why I'm volunteering to be the first invisible human.

If you ask me, I'm the obvious choice.

Though I've never actually been invisible, I spent my formative years being virtually invisible to almost every woman I was ever interested in and the captains of teams who

were picking sides - even when I jumped up and down and yelled, "Pick me!"

And lest you think that my powers of virtual invisibility ended there, allow me to tell you about doing a huge pile of dishes on the weekend. Apparently, I was invisible at that time to my daughter who walked by several times without once asking if I needed help.

The fact that I'm a relatively small man also means that scientists will have to block

less heme from my system - which might mean they'll realize a cost savings. More importantly, I'm playing one of the mice in our community's version of *The Nutcracker* this year, so that should be helpful to the scientists during the transitional period from mice to men.

I'd also like to mention that, should I be given the power of invisibility, I will only use it for

good.

At no point will I walk into a Revenue Canada building and adjust my tax return, for instance. This thought has at no point crossed my mind. Ever.

I will, however, suggest and carry out important missions on behalf of the free world. They will be highly classified of course, which is to say, that I will never confirm or deny if I was the one who put the "Kick me!" sign on Vladimir Putin's back.

As you can see I've thought this through - and not just because I've always wanted to have a super-power other than wasting your time.

No, I actually think that if I were given the power of invisibility, medical science - and perhaps even psychological science - might learn a whole lot from me.

At the very least, they won't have to figure out a way to make cats where infra-red goggles.



Steve Galea
Beyond 35

points of view

Waiting for the undertaker

THE TELEVISION FANTASY has become reality for the Canadian Broadcasting Corp. The CBC now is among The Walking Dead.

The Jian Ghomeshi scandal is a death rattle for Canada's beloved cultural institution. Now it's just a matter of waiting for the undertaker. The CBC has been dying for a long time. Uninspiring leadership, failure to innovate and blueblood attitudes and situational ethics have sucked the life from it over the years.

CBC's brain trust says Ghomeshi was egomaniacal and tyrannical and created a toxic culture in the workplace, and that he is solely to blame for the events that have shaken the venerable corp. Nonsense. There is growing evidence that CBC executives knew about Ghomeshi's sordid personal and working life for months and did not act. They feared losing a star who was building much-needed audiences.

Perhaps the current police investigation into complaints about Ghomeshi's violent sexual tendencies will lead to more information about what CBC bosses knew and when. If nothing else, CBC's leadership must accept blame for building their brand on individual personalities, such as Ghomeshi and Peter Mansbridge. CBC built its previous greatness on team, not individuals.



Jim Poling Sr.

From Shaman's Rock

You have to feel sorry for the dedicated reporters, editors, producers, camera people and others who have been let down by the executives paid the big bucks to run the corporation. The only hope for resurrecting the CBC is to blow out its executive floors. Bring in fresh, younger executive talent to create the culture of innovation needed in any media organization today.

First to go must be CBC president Hubert Lacroix, who has overseen one disaster after another, including his having to repay \$30,000 in wrongly claimed living and meal expenses. He and his board of directors said they were not aware of a rule governing expenses. Duh? He opened his Halloween public statement on the Ghomeshi scandal with: "I'm not sure where to begin." Duh?

Lacroix has condoned high profile news department employees such as Mansbridge and Rex Murphy accepting money for speaking engagements, including audiences such as the oil and gas industry. No journalist should ever accept financial gain for speaking engagements. Ben Bradlee, the recently deceased former executive editor of *The Washington Post*, and the editor who directed Watergate coverage, once explained why journalists should not take money for speaking engagements:

"If the Insurance Institute of America, if there is such a thing, pays you \$10,000 to make a speech, don't tell me you haven't been corrupted. You can say you haven't and you can say you will attack insurance issues in the same way, but you won't. You can't."

Lacroix insulted the Canadian people earlier this year when he submitted the base salary scales for Mansbridge and other CBC high earners to a Parliamentary committee demanding to know how much the taxpayers are paying for these stars. Mansbridge's base salary is \$80,000 a year but Lacroix refused to disclose Mansbridge's full take-home pay. It is believed to be \$1 million plus.

The most shameful aspect of the CBC situation is the federal government's deliberate inaction. Taxpayers fork over \$1 billion a year to the corporation. The Harper government, which disdains the news media and has little interest in promoting culture, is using budget cuts and disinterest to set the CBC up to wither and die. Harper appointed Lacroix in 2007, then reappointed him in 2012.

Yes, the CBC is wasteful and stuck in times and attitudes long gone. But it is the government's leadership responsibility to either bring the CBC into the 21st century or to kill it outright, and quickly. Taxpayers should not be spending \$1 billion a year on something the government is not interested in repairing.

letters to the editor

Consider joining the legion

To the Editor:

Recently I dropped into the Minden Royal Canadian Legion Branch 636 after an absence of nine months due to health challenges. The visit reminded me how the Legion is such a great organization filled with wonderful people that care about their community. I also learned that membership is down year over year but "they are doing OK" The purpose of this correspondence is to encourage readers to consider joining their local Legion. There are numerous types of membership and it is not necessary to be a veteran to join the Legion.

The Royal Canadian Legion is Canada's largest veterans and community service organization and your membership will help support the great work the Legion

does with veterans and their families as well as numerous local community activities. In my experience the people you will meet through the Legion are interesting and involved individuals that you will enjoy spending time with. Your local Legion branch will offer numerous social and sport and volunteer opportunities. On a more practical note, Legion membership also includes discount benefits for many services we all need and a members only online store. Given the recent commitments for the involvement of our military around the world, joining the Royal Canadian Legion is a great way to show your support to the men and women in our armed forces and their families.

John Sloan

Road conditions must improve

To the Editor,

I'm taking my time to write this because it is important.

My family along with pretty much everyone that we know, both living here locally or travelling here via Highway 118 are extremely concerned about the lack of winter road maintenance.

Why has this contract not been made null and void?

If a service provider has not provided adequate service for multiple seasons, why should they continue to have the contract??? Who is responsible for ensuring that the roads are being maintained and when they are not, who is reported to and what is done about it?

Is this a do as you wish or rather do the bare minimum contract? Seems like.

The message is loud and clear here, does someone

need to die as a result of the lack of maintenance of these roads, in particular Highway 118, in our area?

Would that then generate a change?

Come on. Step it up.

We are heading into winter and a big topic of conversation is how dangerous is Hwy. 118 going to be (again) this season?

Driving from Carnarvon to Haliburton or say, Carnarvon to Bracebridge, in winter conditions has been more often terrifying than not, even as a confident, defensive driver with excellent snow tires and four-wheel drive. There is a very noticeable difference between Highway 118 and our other locally maintained roads (much, much better - thanks for taking care of us guys!).

Karra Wesley

Parker Pad & Printing arranges hockey trip for local youth

To mark Parker Pad & Printing's fifth anniversary in Haliburton, the company is contributing \$5,000 toward sending 40 Highland Storm hockey players and 10 chaperons on a trip to see some live NHL action.

The group will depart from Haliburton on Dec. 20 via coach bus to cheer on hometown favourites Cody Hodgson and Matt Duchene in a Buffalo Sabres versus Colorado Avalanche game. The game will be played at 7 p.m. at the First Niagara Centre in Buffalo, New York.

The recent donation is part of the company's annual commitment to giving back to the community. For each year in business, Parker Pad & Printing has donated to a variety of worthy causes and organizations. Donations have increased in increments of \$1,000 annually.

"Hockey is part of the fabric of our community, and there are so many youth who aspire to become the next Cody or Matt," said company president Janis Parker. "I am grateful to be able to partner with the Highland

Storm Minor Hockey Association to make this trip possible - one that I hope will further inspire our youth to continue to pursue their hopes and dreams."

Special thanks go to the Hodgson family and the Sabres front office for all their support.

The bus will leave A.J. LaRue Arena in Haliburton at 9 a.m. and return at 3 a.m. on Dec. 21. Valid passports are required.

Each child, chaperon and hockey enthusiast will receive a souvenir T-shirt, hot dog, popcorn and soft drink on game day.

A limited number of extra tickets, which includes transportation, will be available to the public for \$75 per person (all children must be accompanied by an adult). To purchase a ticket and help fill up the second bus call Nancy Houghton at 705-457-2458.

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Dental program to expand

Call it a second helping to reduce the risk of tooth decay in young children attending local daycares.

One year after launching a free dental program for pre-school-aged children, the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit is expanding it in 2014 to reach more families in Haliburton County, Northumberland County and the City of Kawartha Lakes. This fall, the Health Unit will offer a Fluoride Varnish Treatment program to preschoolers attending child care centres throughout its region.

Fluoride varnish is a protective coating that is applied to a child's teeth. The Fluoride Varnish Treatment, approved by Health Canada and the Canadian Dental Association, can help prevent new cavities by making a child's tooth enamel harder.

More than 200 applications of fluoride varnish treatment were provided by Health Unit staff in the first year of the program. "We had excellent feedback from daycare staff to the initial fluoride varnish treatment last year, and wanted to expand the program to reach more families in our area," says Anna Rusak, a Health Promoter

with the HKPR District Health Unit.

Tooth decay is one of the most preventable diseases for children, Rusak notes, yet local rates of tooth decay are on the rise. "Children can get cavities soon after their first baby teeth appear," she says. "The bad thing about cavities in baby teeth is that they can cause pain and prevent children from being able to properly eat, speak, sleep and learn."

The Fluoride Varnish Treatment program is totally free and voluntary. Every daycare in the Health Unit's region is being given the opportunity to take part in it. Information will be sent home to families explaining what is involved, and from there they can decide if the program is right for their child, Rusak explains. In order to take part, children must be at least two years of age.

People can find out more details about oral health and the Fluoride Varnish Treatment programs by calling the Health Unit toll-free at 1-866-888-4577 or visiting www.hkpr.on.ca.

Submitted

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Members find ways to remember



Legion br. 636

By the time you read this article, the Remembrance ceremonies will be completed for another year. For the first time in the 25-year history of our branch, the Remembrance Service was actually held on Nov. 11.

This very significant date marks the 100th anniversary of the signing of the Armistice to end the First World War, called "the war to end all wars." There were several other ceremonies at churches, at Archie Stouffer Elementary School and at Hyland Crest.

Nov. 11 also marks the official end of the poppy campaign. Thank you, Minden, for your very generous response in support of our veterans. All poppy funds are held in trust primarily for the needs of local veterans and other authorized medical or educational purposes. Assistance from the poppy fund is open to any veteran in need, whether or not they are members of the Legion. There are 33 veterans who are members of branch 636.

We would also like to thank and recognize our outstanding volunteers who filled over 140 hours of poppy obligation as members of the Royal Canadian Legion. In particular, Murry Barrand stood duty for over 21 hours and Lee Train, previous 1st Vice President of Minden Branch was at Canadian Tire for four full days. Said Train, "I do it in remembrance of my father who was a veteran, and in honour of my daughter who is currently serving as Lieutenant-Commander at Petawawa.

"When I was a kid, my dad would take us out of school on Remembrance Day and take us down to the ceremonies at the cenotaph.

"My dad was very committed to the poppy campaign, and would accept donations at Golden Mile Plaza in Toronto, six days a week from the time it opened in the morning til the time the plaza closed at night. My poppy is over 30 years old - I wear it in remembrance of my dad who served our country proudly."

To pass on the torch of remembrance to children, there is a poster and literary competition currently underway. There are several age levels and students can enter once in each of the four categories: colour poster, black and white poster, poetry and essay, all which have a remembrance theme. Entry forms require signatures of both the student and parent and are available through Archie Stouffer Elementary School, where the students work will be picked up on Nov. 18. Home-schooled children can download the form at www.on.legion.ca under "Youth" and copies are also available at the Minden Branch.

The next big event at Minden Legion will be the multi-vendor Christmas Arts and Crafts Sale on Saturday, Nov. 29 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. We are looking forward to some great art, knitting, Christmas decorations or jewelry for sale. Space is available for crafters to rent at \$15 for a five-foot table, with additional space at \$5. Crafters and artists can reserve now by contacting the Legion at 705-286-4541.

Members are reminded that there are only a few more weeks left in the early bird campaign. Renew your dues before Nov. 30 to save \$5 and be entered to win your 2016 dues free.



Chad Ingram Staff

Dr. Jenn Morrow recently took over the Minden Animal Hospital on Bobcaygeon Road. The facility also includes a kennel and grooming services.

New veterinarian at the helm of Minden Animal Hospital

Chad Ingram

Staff reporter

There's a new veterinarian at the helm of the Minden Animal Hospital. Dr. Jenn Morrow took over the practice from Dr. Carol Sanio in September.

Growing up in Toronto, Morrow studied at the University of Guelph and then went straight to the Ontario Veterinary College, which, as an arm of the university, is located close by.

"It was a long road to get there, a very short trip across the street," says Morrow, seated in her office at the facility on Bobcaygeon Road.

Following her graduation five and half years ago, Morrow moved back to Toronto for a period, but wound up back in Guelph, working at an animal clinic just outside the city.

She then took up practice as a locum.

"I'd travel around to clinics, filling in for vacations," she says. "It was a full-time business."

Her parents are cottagers-cum-residents in Haliburton County.

"It's always been kind of a second home," Morrow says.

So when she discovered the practice was available, she took the opportunity.

September was an especially busy month for Morrow. Not only did she take over the clinic, but she and husband Richard Delahunt had a Labour Day wedding at the Bonnie View Inn.

The couple has joined a running group in Algonquin Highlands and are planning to take up cross-country skiing in the winter.

"We're really looking forward to taking that up," Morrow

says. "We really enjoy being outside."

Why did Morrow want to become a vet in the first place?

"It combined my love of animals and my love of science and medicine," she says. "It's a lot more challenging than human doctors because dogs and cats can't tell you what's wrong with them."

She's in the process of having a dental X-ray unit installed, which she expects will be operational within a few weeks.

Just like in humans, dental health can be an indicator of overall health in animals. "Dental disease leads to other health problems," Morrow says.

She also offers acupuncture, which she explains most dogs and cats take to pretty well.

"They tend to do quite well on the insertion," Morrow says, explaining the needles, which are relatively painless, stay in for 15 or 20 minutes and that most animals become quite docile, even sleepy, during the procedure.

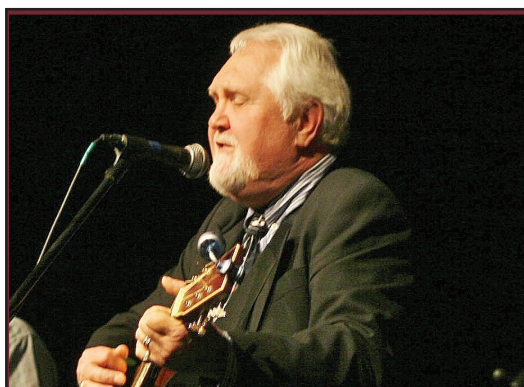
"We're open to alternative therapies," Morrow says, explaining this can include treatments using lasers. "They can help reduce the need for medication."

The Pet Resort, a kennel located at the facility, will remain open. "We've made a few changes," Morrow says, explaining that pet guests receive seven to eight hours of play a day. "We're really pushing the doggy day camp."

There are number of clients who bring their dogs to the resort for the day while they're at work. "They go home happy and tired," Morrow says. "A tired dog is a happy dog."

The clinic now also offers grooming, with Chris O'Mara of Haliburton's Prettypaws Pet Boutique coming in one day a week.

For more information, visit www.mindenanimalhospital.com or call 705-286-2919.



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'She & I' mixed bonspiel attracts many teams

On Saturday, Oct. 25, 64 curlers from Leaside, Oshawa, Kitchener-Waterloo, Toronto and Haliburton as well as our own Minden curlers arrived at the Minden Curling Club to participate in the seventh annual She & I Mixed bonspiel.

The event, comprising 16 teams, each competing in two eight-end games generates a camaraderie over the years among the curlers who experienced some keen competition.

At the end of the day, our score keeper, Scotty Boyd, announced the winners. The team from Leaside won the second draw and also the overall event which earned them a free entry into next year's spiel. Jim Montgomery skipped the team with Elizabeth Bugg as third/second and Ken Bugg as second/lead.

Winners of the first draw were: first place - Samantha Miller, Royce Miller, Kim Burke and Ross Petch. second place - Ed Copeland, Mary Copeland, Bruce McClennan and Carol McClennan. third place - Iain Kay, Joyce Nilsson, Dave Tranter and Vickie Tranter.

Winners of the second draw were the Montgomery team from Leaside plus second place - Steve Robson, Audrey Robson, George Westwood and Carol Westwood. third place - Brian Cooke, Winn Taylor, Dave McKay and Heather Mephram.

The winner of the draw prize of a Prime Rib Roast Beef dinner at Stouffer Mill Bed and Breakfast was Sue Wissent from Kitchener-Waterloo.

The curlers enjoyed a great ham and scalloped potato dinner prepared and served by Sandy Bell, Barb Millington, Lynn Preston, Bernice Murray and Jessie Pflug.

Convenor, Don Pflug thanked all the curlers for participating and everyone who helped to make it a success.

Saturday, Oct. 31, 2015 is next years She & I Mixed Spiel. Put it in your calendar.

Submitted by Don Pflug



From left to right, Samantha Miller, skip Royce Miller, third Kim Burk, second Ross Petch, lead.



From left to right, Carol McClennan, lead Bruce McClennan, second Ed Copeland, skip Mary Copeland, third



From left to right, Iain Kay, skip Joyce Nilsson, third Vickie Tranter, lead Dave Tranter, second



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From left to right, overall bonspiel winner and draw 2 1st place: Elizabeth Bugg, third/second Jim Montgomery, skip Ken Bugg, second/lead

Roll out the holiday season

Laurie Carmount,
Curator Agnes Jamieson Gallery & Minden Hills Cultural Centre

Starting Nov. 21, the fifth annual Festival of Trees will open its doors at the Minden Hills Cultural Centre for three days. The main fundraising event for the Minden Hills Cultural Centre, this festival will offer the most stunning trees yet to be seen. Designed and assembled by talented volunteers and sponsors, these trees, wreaths and garlands will be a delight to behold.

Under the guidance of Pam Smith, the Festival of Trees committee, Jaklin Casper, Eli Welch, Sinclair Russell, Joe Smith and Pat Campbell, have been planning, assembling and will soon display 35 trees – a record number!

This year the festival also involves: a kids' craft centre by a small café, offering coffee, tea and goodies. Adjacent to this area will be a fully stocked candy store. When you have enjoyed the Santa Claus parade be sure to visit the festival.

During the festival you can also view the Agnes Jamie-

son Gallery's annual members' Show; a non-juried display of work. This includes a wide variety of disciplines and is an interesting opportunity for one to view work. People's Choice Award happens during this show and is a way for you to vote for your favourite – a hard decision! Winner of this award will gain an exclusive showing of their work at the next members' show. This year, the past winner, George Farrell, will be exhibiting his photography work called *Rust: A Fatal Abstraction*.

One can also wander the grounds and visit the heritage buildings and Nature's Place where a number of decorated trees are located. Admission and raffle tickets are the same price as last year. For more information go to www.minden-culturalcentre.com under "Attractions."

A new addition to the Festival of Trees is GLITTER. So named by the coordinator, Paul Roy, owner of UpRiver Trading Company in Minden, this event pushes the boundaries as to what fundraising can be. It's different and aims to be a fun evening of cocktails and drinks, fancy hors d'oeuvre, entertainment and auctions. Roy has managed to

put together a number of fabulous raffle ticket prizes.

Joining in the festive atmosphere is the Highlands Opera Company who will be performing a number of thematic songs with a splashy pop edge to them. All girls like diamonds, right?

Semi-formal attire with a touch of glitter is recommended for this event – however, if you desire, put on the Ritz!

Tickets are \$35 per person, \$20 after 9 p.m. For tickets to GLITTER, happening Saturday, Nov. 22, from 6 p.m. to 12 a.m., call 705-286-3763.

All proceeds raised at these fundraiser events add to the Minden Hills Cultural Centre community programming. Located at 176 Bobcaygeon Road, Minden.

The Flu Shot – It's Not Just for You

Every year, thousands of Canadians die of influenza and its complications. The flu is very contagious and a critical seasonal health issue, particularly for people with chronic conditions such as asthma.

The Ontario Lung Association says that almost everyone should get the flu shot. "It not only helps to protect you from being infected with the flu virus, it also reduces the risk to people around you – family, friends and people in your community," says Carole Madeley, director of respiratory health programs with the Ontario Lung Association.

"This is called 'community immunity'. It means that the more people who get the flu shot in a community the less risk to others, particularly vulnerable groups such as the elderly, young children, pregnant women and people with chronic conditions such as lung and heart disease."

If you are still not convinced that you should get the flu shot, you have probably heard something that has caused concern. Here are some common myths about the flu shot:

Myth #1: The flu shot is not safe.

The Facts: The flu vaccine is safe for almost everyone six months of age and older. If you are worried, talk to your

health-care provider, pharmacist or public health office. The shot contains dead flu virus. If you happen to get the flu soon after getting the shot, you were probably getting sick anyway. It takes a couple of weeks after vaccination for your body to build resistance against the virus.

Myth #2: Only certain people should get the flu shot.

The Facts: Almost everyone should get the flu shot. That includes healthy people, people with chronic illnesses, children older than six months and pregnant women. If you have asthma or chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, the flu shot is a good way to help prevent flare-ups caused by chest infections.

Myth #3. You don't need to get the flu shot every year.

The Facts: The flu virus changes from year to year so you need to get vaccinated with another flu shot every year.

If you have questions about the flu shot or any other lung health issue, call The Lung Association Lung Health Information Line at 1-888-344-LUNG (5864) to speak to a Certified Respiratory Educator. You can also email info@on.lung.ca

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Junior Red Hawks win Kawartha title

Darren Lum

Staff reporter

When it comes to sports parlance it's always difficult to win the last one, particularly a championship game.

No win though is sweeter and none was more so for the junior Red Hawks football team and its coach Bruce Griffith than the Kawartha tier II final against the visiting Campbellford Flames this past Friday at the Gary G. Brohman Athletic Field in Haliburton.

This was like a proverbial heavyweight-boxing match, as the teams traded hits all over the field, on both sides of the ball, causing players to rise more and more slowly.

For these tier II teams, who can't play for another championship, it was a war of attrition and their Super Bowl.

Head coach Griffith expected it, predicting a week earlier the game would be a physical test for both teams and was going to be decided by one touchdown.

Griffith beamed during the post-game interview, following the 9-6 hard fought win, speaking about his team, their performance in the clutch, particularly how his "defence played awesome."

He thought the Flames were on the cusp of breaking through his defence if it wasn't for the sports gods.

"We got lucky. A little bit lucky because we had a bit of bad luck with flags, flags and flags. Too many refs on the field," he said, smiling.

On one drive alone in the first half there were two consecutive touchdowns called back because of offensive penalties.

"It should have been 21-0 at the half for us because of penalties," he said.

Although the visiting Flames occasionally turned to their passing attack, the two teams traded shots while pounding the ball on the ground.

Haliburton employed a power running game led by tailback Shane O'Reilly, who was often led by fullback Izac Reid (inserted in the lineup after leaving the previous game late with a concussion), and the juking and slashing Kyle Cooper.

O'Reilly scored the Hawks' only touchdown while Cooper added the extra-point in the 9-6 win.

With two consecutive penalties, accounting for the loss of 20 yards on the same drive, the Flames were pushed deep in their own end on the five-yard line, facing a third and 30-yard situation. They chose to down the ball in their own end zone, conceding the two-point safety. It wasn't clear at the time how much that would affect the outcome,



Darren Lum Staff

The Red Hawks junior football players took turns diving into the mud as a celebration following the Kawartha tier II final win against the visiting Campbellford Flames

but it surprised Griffith.

"I was surprised by that actually. They were counting on getting back a short kick and they did so you go up 9-0 that's two scores and they almost did it," he said.

Haliburton's defence stood tall, which has been the hallmark of the team all season, he adds.

With a little more than a minute left in the game, the Flames showed their resilience, coming up with a huge score when their quarterback connected for a 50-yard pass over the middle to complete a much-needed touchdown play to narrow the score to 9-6. The subsequent two-point attempt failed, leaving the Hawks with a slight lead.

To the Flames' credit though, they didn't give up.

On the punt, the Flames short kicked it and even though the Hawks punt returner fielded the ball cleanly on the return, a fumble ensued on contact, giving the Flames back the ball with 1:29 left in the game.

This was when the Hawks' defence

proved to be the difference.

Griffith knew that the Flames would be coming strong so when the defence managed to hold the narrow lead (helped by a 10-yard Flames penalty) in the dying minutes on the last stand against the visitors he was thoroughly impressed.

"That's probably the first time they've been in a championship game and they wanted it bad. I kept telling our guys because when you go six games in a row without having a touchdown scored against you you get loose. They played well," he said.

Haliburton regained possession and killed the clock to secure the Kawartha tier II championship.

Griffith thought his whole team played hard, but among his players that really stood out was O'Reilly who played offence and defence.

"He was a power today so if I had to pick one guy that would be one, but everyone played well," he said.

After 26 years and 123 wins out of 188 games the junior head coach is hanging up his whistle, turning things over to Ryan Merritt.

For all the years he said he wouldn't be missing the long bus rides.

"I love [when] there is a home game here, the crowd out watching [that's] what I love. Everyone is excited. It's a close game. Everyone is yelling and excited. I love it," he said.

Griffith is not sure what he'll do with his extra time now that he won't be coaching. Listing off a few activities including hunting, Griffith isn't sure about fully retiring as a teacher just yet, but he won't be far whatever he decides, expecting to watch Red Hawks football games as a fan and supporter.

He believes in the school and the football program, which will continue long after he is gone.

"We're a football school and always will be," he said.



Darren Lum Staff

The Red Hawks junior football team pose for a group photo following the Kawartha tier II final win against the visiting Campbellford Flames this past Thursday at the Gary G. Brohman Athletic Field in Haliburton. A last minute stand by the defence all but assured the 9-6 win in the fourth quarter. The Hawks scoring came from a touchdown by Shane O'Reilly with an extra-point convert by Kyle Cooper. The Flames conceded a safety for two points.

Lessons learned in senior Hawks' season

Darren Lum
Staff reporter

Years from now most will not remember the score of the Kawartha tier II final between the senior Red Hawks football team and the visiting St. Peter's Catholic Secondary School Saints let alone the details of the game.

It had plenty of drama with the score 14-12 through three quarters. However, when Hawks rookie player Liam McLeod, who is special to the team and the school, returned a punt for a 50-plus yard touchdown, you would have been hard pressed to not see someone smiling and applauding.

Coach Tim Davies said he put McLeod in the game to just get on the field.

When he asked the Saints captain to tell his teammates not to hit him, they suggested they kick him the ball to allow him the chance to score the touchdown.

McLeod received the punt cleanly and ran it straight up the middle with the Saints defenders trailing behind.

Although McLeod spiked the ball inches short of the touchdown, the moment wasn't lost on anyone on the field or along the sidelines. There were players on both teams that patted him on his shoulder pads or gave him high-fives.

"This might be a very, very nice moment in his life," Davies said.

Both junior Hawks coaches Bruce Griffith and Ryan Merritt were smiling when they saw the play, aware of what it could mean. Merritt said that will be a moment that McLeod will never forget.

Coming into the game, the Hawks were in



The Red Hawks senior football team may have lost the Kawartha tier II final to the visiting St. Peter's Catholic Secondary School Saints in Haliburton, but the team felt like winners. They were able to give an unforgettable moment to a special student named Liam McLeod (pictured). McLeod took a punt return for a touchdown – with an understanding from the Saints and the officials – bringing smiles to everyone on the field and off.
Darren Lum Staff

a strong position to win the Kawartha tier II title despite missing several starters.

Back in the regular season the Hawks beat the Saints and were hoping to repeat.

The Saints started with a rushing touchdown minutes into the first quarter.

Just before the score, the Hawks linebacker Devon Bangay's strong pass rush on the Saints quarterback was negated by

an offside penalty, setting up the short four yard touchdown rush giving the visitors a 6-0 lead, which was added to by an extra-point convert.

Undeterred, in fact spurred, the Hawks tailback Mac Rider, who had the bulk of the carries in the game before exiting with lower body injury late in the game, helped the team respond by rushing in a touch-

down from just outside the 10-yardline. His ability to carry a few defenders after the initial hit enabled him to score on a second attempt. The extra-point convert didn't go and the score was 7-6 for the Saints.

After a Hawks turnover in the second quarter, the Saints rushed in another touch-

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Team played hard, played well and had fun, coach says

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down to go up 13-6. They added the extra-point convert for a 14-6 lead.

The Hawks quickly responded with a solid drive capped by a touchdown rush by Hawks quarterback Johnson-Perrin, who followed his lineman in from well within the five yards of the endzone. This sequence included several tough rushes from Rider and two important third down conversions to keep the offensive drive alive.

Close to midway through the third quarter, the chances for a home team win went when Johnson-Perrin, who had just rushed close to 10 yards, was helped off the field after he was hit late along the sidelines. Prior to this, he was playing the best he had all season, composed and relaxed in the pocket.

Losing starter Johnson-Perrin for the one sequence severely hurt the team's chances.

Davies acknowledges the difficulty with the loss of his pivot.

"If we'd scored there you never know it's maybe a [win] instead of what it is, but depth and injuries are part of physical contact sports. It is what it is," he said.

The team lost nine players throughout parts of the season.

"I've never seen a year like this where we dilapidated for a variety of reasons, but the kids played hard today. They played well. I said before we played today I said, 'Let's have some fun today' and I think they had some fun today," he said.

Although the Saints player that committed the late hit had to miss three plays, the Hawks could not score without their quarterback, using the wildcat offense with Paul taking the snaps, standing next to two backs. Even with three attempts to score inside the red zone, the Hawks turned the ball over to the Saints on downs coming up just a few yards short.

The Hawks quarterback returned later in the game, but the momentum was lost.

It was a shame to lose Johnson-Perrin because he showed a marked improvement in the game compared to when he played earlier in the season after the team lost its first and second string quarterbacks.

"To go from where he was playing to being the leader that he was at quarterback for this team later on in the season here is huge. I cannot say enough about his leadership. I cannot say what he did for this football team," he said.

When Rider left with a lower body injury a few minutes later suffered on a punt return, even more of the game's momentum was lost.

Despite Cody Bain coming in and playing well for Rider, receiving for 15 yards on a spectacular catch and rushing for several more, the Hawks were a shadow of their first half selves.

The Saints added another 13 points from two interceptions to seal the win.

Davies congratulated the Saints on their win. They beat the Fenelon Falls Secondary School Falcons soundly in the semi-finals to get to the final against the Hawks.

"You know for a team that was the lowest ranked team in our area starting the playoffs, they're the victors so there is a silver lining for all teams that play football. You might be in last place during the regular season, but you can still win championships," he said.

Photo at top right, Red Hawks lineman Matt Sexsmith, centre, is held up from making a tackle by a St. Peter's Catholic Secondary School Saints defender during the Kawartha tier II final this past Thursday at the Gary G. Brohman Athletic Field. The Red Hawks lost 34-18. Scoring came from Mac Rider, Tyler Johnson-Perrin and Liam McLeod. Darren Lum Staff



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Haliburton Highlands hockey players Max MacNaull, 15, left, Owen Smith, 13, Josh Boice, 14, Carson Sisson, 13, and Owen Gilbert, 13, are all playing for the AAA Central Ontario Wolves in their respective age categories this season to further their hockey aspirations. The higher calibre of hockey gives the younger players an opportunity to improve.
Darren Lum Staff

Shooting for dreams with AAA

Darren Lum
Staff reporter

Standing in the entrance of the S.G. Nesbitt Memorial Arena in Minden it was appropriate that Tammy Smith and her 13-year-old son Owen were discussing his hockey future.

Moving forward in hockey means playing AAA hockey, which means leaving the Highlands, usually with the Central Ontario Wolves.

When parents are spending close to \$15,000 a year -- which includes \$2,000 for registration, gas, lodging and meals while away -- there is an incredible financial commitment. This includes the time associated with the 36-game regular season schedule, with up to four practices a week held in Lindsay from September until February. Playoffs are in March.

Smith, whose son Owen is one of five boys living in Haliburton County playing hockey in Lindsay for the Wolves, acknowledges the investment of time and the great expense, but cannot stress enough the importance of AAA league for those with aspirations in hockey.

"It's big commitment, but if they're good enough to make it, that's where they should be," she said.

In the first two weeks of this season they drove close to 2,000 kilometres. It helps if car-pooling can be arranged, as two pairs of boys play on the same team. Some weeks the boys and their parents are away from home for up to six nights.

However, it's all worth it to give her son the best future, Smith said.

Owen is entering his second year of AAA hockey with the Central Ontario Wolves, having played part of a previous season.

Smith is hoping her son can earn a four-year university scholarship through hockey. The drive and desire rests with the boys.

"It's got to be something that you want to do because if you don't want to do it then you're wasting your time now," she said.

Smith adds there are bursaries that benefit students on this hockey path even if the hockey player receives a four-year university scholarship.

"Some of these kids are going to even Harvard and coming out with \$50,000 in their pocket and have gone to school for

see HALIBURTON page 17



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Haliburton County has five AAA players

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four years because they're hockey players. That's a dream," she said. "I would never have rose-coloured glasses to think that he's going to be in the NHL because that's not my dream for him. My dream is school and education [for Owen] and he gets to play hockey while doing it and get it paid for. That would be ideal."

Getting a degree, she said, can serve her son long after hockey, as no one can play hockey for the rest of their lives, including NHL players.

Her teenage son is hoping to earn a spot with an OHL team, possibly towards playing at a university. Owen said he is interested in sports medicine as a career, possibly working as a trainer for a team.

He's loved the added playing time and the chance to grow as a player and a person.

"It's great meeting new friends and just taking the opportunity to be a leader," Owen said.

Part of the growth comes in the form of being able to juggle hockey with academics.

Spending hours in the car means the boys need to use the time they have when possible for assignments or to study for tests. A few do it in the school bus coming home from school or the car ride to practice or games.

Smith said for her and her husband school is a priority and comes before hockey.

"If he doesn't [do his school work] he doesn't go," she said. "Then you're letting your team down. You have to keep yourself in good standing or you're letting somebody else down. It's very important," she said.

The Smiths plan many of their home meals according to

game and practice schedules.

Owen is one of five boys from the Highlands playing hockey for the Wolves.

Fifteen-year-old Max MacNaull of Minden said there is no comparison to the player he was and how he has improved in the two years he has played AAA.

"I got faster, smarter and altogether better," he said, MacNaull, a "stay-at-home defenceman" plays for the minor midget team and is the eldest of the group and has the most to gain this year, being his draft year for the OHL.

MacNaull said the speed of the game has increased and everyone came into the season in better shape, knowing that scouts will be watching and assessing them in league games, including at "showcase tournaments."

The added ice time through more games and feedback from coaches has meant a marked difference for his game, MacNaull said.

Like MacNaull, Owen Gilbert, also of Minden, is playing his second year with the Wolves as a forward for the minor bantams. At five-foot-two and 100 pounds, Owen knows he's smaller than most of the other 13-year-old hockey players.

"Kids are a lot bigger and it's hard to get used to with kids being as good as they are," he said.

Playing AAA, he is motivated to improve, raise his game and his physical stature, understanding what it takes to play at the higher level.

The only goalie of the group, Minden's Carson Sisson plays on the same team as Owen.

Sisson also appreciates the higher skill level of the players in front of him. He currently shares the goaltending duties on the minor bantam team and is looking to showcase his skills as the season progresses in order to become the No. 1

goalie. He hopes to play junior hockey.

Owen's teammate and a forward with the major bantams Josh Boice, who is in his first year, turns to his tenacity to compete with the larger players, whether it's five-on-five or for the special teams.

He is eyeing a hockey journey that includes the OHL or university and possibly a professional career in Europe if things work out. Boice and the entire group appreciated the invaluable efforts of their parents, who have provided money and time in driving to games and practices.

"They're probably the biggest part of it too," he said.

Playing at the AAA level is important for any future beyond midget hockey, Smith said. It's extremely difficult to get noticed by university and junior scouts outside of AAA hockey.

"Back in the day when Bernie Nicholls [was playing] it didn't matter, they came and found you. You were that good, but they didn't have these AAA and things that you went to so they came and found you," Smith said, referring to former NHLer and prolific scorer Nicholls of West Guilford.

This coming Nov. 22 the players will represent their respective teams in a day of fundraiser games called Wolves in Pink in the Rink Day at the Lindsay Recreation Centre. This is an annual event where proceeds from the day will go to the Canadian Cancer Society.

Tickets for admission are being sold through the players and their parents for \$10. A free pink T-shirt will be given to those who present their ticket at the game. The Wolves' goal is \$10,000 to \$15,000.

Hawks senior soccer boys' team ends season at COSSA semi-finals

Rob Gervais
Senior soccer coach

The boys had a chance to see top tier competition when we travelled to Port Hope to play St. Paul's of Trenton on Halloween day for the final COSSA tournament.

The boys carried the ball into the offensive zone with confidence and with regularity. A contrast to earlier in the season, as this didn't seem to be happening during the first three or four games of the regular season schedule. The difficulty on offence was actually finishing our opportunities. We had four very open looks at the net but weren't able to convert any of them to goals.

There was improvement in the team's game. The boys showed better game awareness. When a ball was turned over to the opposing team early in the year, a number of the boys seemed to put their heads down and jog back to the defensive zone to help out. As the year progressed, there was more awareness to immediately get them selves back into a defensive position and get the ball back. We still need to continue to improve our team and individual defending, and I look forward to working with our six returning players on that next season.

I am grateful to the eight boys that have played soccer this year and are moving on to the workplace or to post-secondary education. They have helped to mentor the younger

players and that influence will be beneficial as we move into next season.

The season highlight for the team was probably holding a very strong IE Weldon team scoreless in the first half. We probably had a few more scoring chances in that half as well. The boys felt like they could compete with the stronger programs in our division based on that experience. Also, another season highlight was the opportunity to play in the COSSA semi-finals.

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		12,190.56	
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Ex Service Personnel Grants/Gifts	270.00		
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Mon., Nov. 17th @ Community Living Campbellford
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Tues., Nov. 18th @ Cobourg Public Library
6:30-8:30pm

Wed., Nov. 19th @ Lindsay Loblaws
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Mon., Nov. 24th @ Port Hope Town Park
Recreational Centre 62 McCaul St.
7:00-9:00pm

Tues., Nov. 25th @Community Living Haliburton
7:00-9:00pm

Mon. Dec. 1st @ Peterborough Public Library
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Highland Storm Hockey

Two Wins for the Highland Storm Bantam A team

The Storm shook the Parry Sound Shamrocks on Friday winning 6-1. It was an entertaining game with the first goal seconds into the first period. Quick back and forth passes between Cooper, Lucas Haedicke and Devyn Prentice, resulted in the first goal by Prentice. Storm scored a couple more in the second period, starting with Cooper, assisted by Devyn Prentice and Lucas Haedicke. Next goal came off the faceoff in the Shamrocks end, from Manning to Patterson-Smith, a pass to the point with a hard shot by Garbutt that found the opening. The Storm continued strong in the third period. Circling the Shamrocks end, controlling the play, then a shot by Schmidt from behind the net deflected off the goalie for a goal, assists by Turner and Dollo. The next two goals came from strong determination and the Patterson-Smith line. It was Manning and Flood, assisted by Patterson-Smith. With just less than two minutes in the game the Shamrocks managed a goal while on a power play ending the game 6-1. Great work by all the boys on the Storm team.

Next day, the Storm travelled to Bancroft and destroyed the Jets winning 11-1 as the Jets continue their struggle to keep up. The goals and assists are just too many to mention. Lets just say, the boys played really well as a team and showed great team spirit cheering on the Jets' effort.

The Highland Storm Bantam A team is proudly sponsored by Smolen Dentistry.

Submitted by Suzanne Haedicke

RM Carpentry Atom A Highland Storm South Huron Tournament

Game 1 vs Thamesford Attack

The Storm came out strong and took it straight to the former OMHA Champion Attack. In the second, Thamesford struck first but the Storm tied it up right away with a goal. Thamesford regained the lead and despite the Storm pulling their goalie in the last two minutes, the final score remained 2-1 for the Attack.

Game 2 vs South Huron Sabres

One and a half minutes into the game, it was 1-0 Storm. 1-1 by the end of the first. By the end of the second period, the Storm was down 3-1, but firing on all cylinders. Great forechecking, stellar defence, and brilliant goaltending from Maddock. It all paid off with a come-from-behind victory from the Storm in the best game they have played this year. Final Score 4-3 Storm. Coach Smith after the game: "how do you like them apples?"

Game 3 vs Aylmer Flames

The Storm battled hard but the game didn't go our way. In a rough game Aylmer came out on top with a 2-0 final.

Players of note: EVERYONE! Despite being put out of the tournament early, the

Storm pulled it all together with the best team play of the season. Hard forchecking, shots on goal, brilliant defence and "shut the door" goaltending. Way to go, Storm!

Submitted by Jason Glecoff

Peewee AE come into their own

The Peewee AEs, proudly sponsored by the Peppermill, finally caught some breaks this weekend. It's been a difficult start to the season, losing some tough one-sided affairs by clearly superior teams.

But this Storm team is a resilient bunch, and despite the losses, have continued to pour everything they have into each game. The boys started the weekend getting soundly beaten by the Muskoka Rock. Although they showed moments of sustained pressure, clearly the ice was tilted in the Rock's favour.

They then travelled to Sunridge for their second game of the day against the Almaguin Ice Devils. It was a well-matched game with both teams trading chances early. Storm goalie, Nate Misco, had a fantastic game, saving many early chances which allowed our boys to gain confidence.

Although Almaguin scored first, the Storm were quick to respond as a pass by William Petrie found Tyler Martin who wristed a nice shot from the hash marks. The teams traded two more goals, one as

Billy Walker kept the puck in at the blue line and fed Brenden Newhook along the boards. Newhook was quick to see his opportunity and deftly steered the puck out front before finding the corner to even it up.

The Devils stretched the lead to 5-2 in the second but just as it looked like it was getting out of hand, Brady Baldry stole the puck off the face-off and scored with 18 seconds left to keep the game within reach. The back and forth affair continued in the third as the Devils reclaimed their three goal lead early in the period.

The Storm refused to give up though, and continued to battle hard. With under a minute, Tim Turner and Jake Sisson worked the puck in the slot to Tyler Martin who sniped his second of the game and breathe new life back into the squad.

Right off the face-off, Newhook and Sisson fed Baldry who scored with only 1:29 left, nine seconds later. Although they threw everything they had at the beleaguered Devil squad, they couldn't pull out the comeback.

It mattered little though, the team discovered that they can compete with this team when a full effort is given which, for now, is victory enough. This is a much needed lesson for this developing team.

Seriously though, go to the Peppermill just south of Carnarvon on Highway 35 - hands down the best steakhouse in Haliburton County!

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Lions Club looks for Christmas angels

Patti Fleury
Around the Town

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Here at the old farmhouse the last remnants of items needed for the Mistletoe Magic Christmas Sale are being put away and I am finishing the columns early in time to watch the Remembrance Day service in Ottawa. After the recent tragedies here at home this will be a particularly significant event. Young grandson Ben will be watching the ceremony at his school and I'm sure taking a particular interest in the important role played by the bugler as the Last Post is sounded. In an earlier column readers learned that as part of his Grade 5 music studies Ben, who had also been considered for the trombone or giant tuba, to his relief and that of family and neighbours had been assigned the trumpet. On a recent visit however he referred to envying his friend who got to keep "Earl" at home. Assuming that Earl was a classroom turtle, fish or gecko who had fallen into disfavoured and required community reassignment Ben corrected this impression by explaining that said Earl was the old tuba. Thankfully now his friend only had to bring the mouthpiece back and forth to school. With all instruments the early learning days are difficult enough even on the most dotting parental ears so I trust that at least not having to transport Earl is some measure of consolation.

Speaking of the Mistletoe Magic Christmas Sale sponsored by the Kinmount & Area Artisans Guild last Saturday appreciation is extended to all those who braved the increasingly snowy weather to come out. Your support of

these community group events is extremely important. There are several coming up beginning with a Christmas Luncheon & Bazaar this Saturday, Nov. 15 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at St. James Anglican Church in Kinmount. As well St. James will hold its annual Christmas shopping morning for the kids on Saturday, Nov. 29 from 9 a.m. to noon at the Church hall. There are lots of choices for gift giving to family and friends with nothing over \$1 and free gift wrapping as well. This is a great idea. Get ready to mark your December calendars for holiday happenings which will be listed in next week's column,

Stock up on your winter reading materials at the monthly Friends of the Kinmount Library Book Sale coming up this Saturday, Nov. 15 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. There is always a variety of good pre-read books at bargain prices and funds raised go to support children's programs and special features such as the outdoor reading garden at the Branch. Donations for the monthly sales can be dropped off into a marked receptacle at the Branch but please no magazines or text books. Librarian Mary Ann reminds that a book is always a great Christmas gift for all ages and challenges everyone to "read, relax and stay warm".

Wednesday, Nov. 19 is the regular meeting of the Haliburton Highlands Genealogy Group. The meeting will be held at the Lions Hall, 166 Bobcaygeon Road, Minden. Doors open at 6 p.m. for a business meeting and elections for the 2015 Executive. The speaker at 7 p.m. will be Barbara Tose whose topic will be "Travels with My Aunt: Adventures in Europe 1914." Barbara currently lives in Ottawa where she is president of the British Isles Family History Society of Greater Ottawa. There is no charge for the meeting and everyone is welcome. Refreshments are available. For informa-

tion contact Gail Leach=Wunker at 705-286-2225.

From the Legion Branch 441 Kimount which provided such valued leadership to area Remembrance Day services there comes news of coming events as well. Sheri Hawkins & the Rockin Eighty Eight' will heat up the hall on Saturday, Nov. 22 from 3 to 7 p.m. This talented group are best known for 50s, 60s and 70s light rock, kickback country, jazz and swing music. Tickets are \$5 and available in advance with refreshments, finger foods, appetisers and Smokin Hot Chili available. Follow th Branch's programs on its facebook page or call 705-488-368.

The Kinmount & District Lions Club give notice that their Christmas Angel Trees will soon appear in local businesses, the Post Office, Credit Union and Health Centre. There an unwrapped new toy or non-perishable food items can be placed for distribution to less fortunate families. The food items kindly donated at the Mistletoe Magic Sale will be included in this local Lions Club initiative.

Well it appears that Elvis is still in the building at least at the Gooderham Community Centre for a Christmas Dinner, Dance & Show on Saturday, Nov. 29th. Enjoy the entertainment by Elvis Priestly & the Van Rossi Band while supporting the preservation of Irondale's historical church. Doors open at 4:30 p.m. with dinner served at 5 p.m. and the show to follow at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$35/per person with 50's attire completely optional. For tickets and sponsorship information call 705-457-8438 or purchase online at www.IrondaleOntario.ca.

Congratulations to Chad and Angelica two of my favourite staffers at the *Times/Echo* on their recent engagement. Until next week as Elvis would say "thank you very much" and keep busy and well ...

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County card scores

by Patti Fleury

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November 4 contract bridge at Club 35: The high scoring quartet members were Ross Pawson 5,900, Muriel McIntosh 5,020, our bridge reporter Margo Davidson 4,680 and Sandy McKay 4,380 with Jackie Metcalf awarded the Lucky Loonie.

November 4 contract bridge at Minden United Church: From Nancy Ballantyne the news that top marks went to Bob Penfold 4,670, Dave Heaven 4,280 and Bill Obee 4,070 with Dave Heaven and Gareth Kellett teaming up for a Small Slam.

November 4 Minden Seniors bid euchre at Minden Legion: Leading ladies were Pat Roussel 356, Dwaine Lloyd 320, Theresa Deak 289 and Vi Howell 265. First for the gents at 302 was Jesse Barlow followed by Kevin Maloney 269, Sharon Jarvis 262 and Bill McKnight 252. Pat Roussel won the major draw with Garth Windsor, Howard Smith and our reporter Betty Wagar claiming the smaller prizes. In the moonshot column Ida Young, Tom Grix, Dwaine Lloyd and Theresa Deak took singles with Sharon Jarvis doubling.

November 4 euchre at Lochlin Community Centre: Lone hand honours went to Al Dyson with Donna Darby high lady and Rae Dawn Shephard low. Neil Darby won for high man with Terry Davis low man and Betty Hicks winning the draw. Thanks to Nancy McPherson for this update.

November 4 Mixed Shuffleboard at Stanhope Firehall: At 373 Joyce Broersma and June Fortune led the scoring with Connie Sawyer and Mary Trumbull next at 369. In third spot at 319 was Marg Oetlaar partnered with Andy Broersma while the low of the afternoon went to Jean Randall and Merv Elstone at 122.

November 5 duplicate bridge at Parklane, Haliburton: North/South leaders were Nancy Jackson and Helen Baker 62 percent and Sue Pethick partnered with Margo Davidson 54 percent. Over in East/West the honours went to Heather Lindsay and Sandy McKay 61 percent along with Diane James and Kathie Porter 59 percent.

November 5 bid euchre at Stanhope: Pink honours went to our reporter Linda Lambert 266, Pat Marshall 223 and Jean Dutka 222 with Al McMullen leading the whites at 272 followed by Pat Scadden 256 and Jack Cox 227. Al McMullen and Jean Dutka took the only two moonshots.

November 6 bid euchre at Minden Community Centre: Leading ladies were Sharron Atkinson 283, Vi Howell 233, Pat Dickson 224 and tied for fourth spot our reporter Bev Johnson and Jean Scadden at 207. At 274 Dorothy McElwain took top marks for the gents followed by Garth Windsor 263, Doug McIntosh 259 and Marcel Roussel 250. Ida Young won for call 1, Jean Scadden for the card draw and Garth Windsor for the hidden score while Tom Grix claimed the single moonshot.

November 6 euchre at Minden Legion: Lone hand holders were Bev Alexander and Jesse Barlow with our reporter May Bradbury and Tom Grix posting the high scores. The evening's lows went to Joyce Broersma and Jim Bradbury with Bev Alexander, Andy Broersma, Jesse Barlow and May Bradbury [2] taking home the other prizes.

November 7 duplicate bridge at Echo Hills, Haliburton: Playing Howell the winners were Tom and Margo Davidson 63 percent and Muriel McIntosh partnered with Ross Davies 62 percent.

November 7 euchre at Staunworth Court, Minden: Shirley Howe reports that Sherin Brown won for both high hands and the special prize, Nick Boekestyn for lone hands and June Branning for low hands.

November 8 bid euchre at Staunworth Terrace, Minden: For the ladies Barb Callaghan led at 255 then Pat Roussel 223, Karin Harrison 212 and Bev Johnson 204. At 254 Marcel Roussel was first for the gents followed by Howard Smith 236, Tom Grix 226 and Ron Morrison 198. Albert Foster also reports that Marcel won the major special prize with Wayne Jones, Bev Johnson and Betty Wagar picking up the smaller prizes while Tom Grix took the only moonshot.

November 10 euchre at St. Paul's Friendship Club, Minden: Lone hand holders were Yvonne Arbuthnot and Lil Mann with Mabel Deacon and our interim reporter Betty Sharpe posting the high scores. The afternoon's low went to Lorna Hicks while Kay Godden won the special prize and Mabel Deacon said hello to the skunk.

November 10 Kinmount Seniors bid euchre at Kinmount Legion: Rose Isaacson reports that the Blue Team winners

were Carol Murphy 265, Vic Ballik 254 and Pauline Franzen 244. First for the White Team was Theresa Deak 278 then Tom Grix 277 and Dana Briscoe 258. Sharron Atkinson won the draw and Theresa Deak took the single moonshot with an added note of thanks to Tom and Carol.

November 10 euchre at Staunworth Terrace, Minden: Winning for high hands was Pearl Cowen, for lone hands Joan Meadows, for low hands Shirley Howe and for the special prize Margaret Fletcher. Thanks to Sherin Brown for this update.



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Predeceased by her brother David Campbell (Anna) in Ballycastle, N. Ireland. Loving sister to Ann Bell (Martin) in Castlerock, N.Ireland. Devoted mother to: Peter (Heather) of Toronto, Bryan (Rhonda) of Birmingham, Alabama, Sheelagh of Innisfil, Ian of Keswick, Brenda MacNaughton (Ken) of Bowmanville. Affectionately known as Marnie to her grandchildren: Sean (Michelle), Caralyn (Jason), Christopher (Lauren), Robert, Kathryn, Grant (Jill), Bryan II, Erin, William, Connor, Sarah and Kayla. Loved by her great grandchildren Emma, Amber, Harper, Fynn, Ella, Brooke, James, and Sophia.

Friends are invited to join the family at the Zion United Church, 1021 East Rd., Carnarvon on Saturday, November 22, 2014 for a Service to Celebrate Marian's Life at 2:00 pm. A reception will follow in the Christian Education Centre at the Church. Cremation has taken place.

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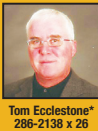
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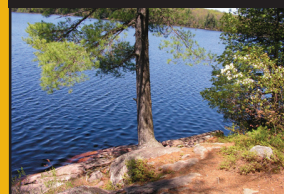
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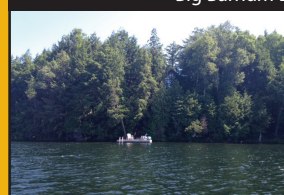
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